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FOLLOWING REPEAT GENEVA 2353 SENT SECSTATE DATED APRIL 7.

QUOTE

UNCLAS GENEVA 2353

FROM USDEL LOS

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: WORKING GROUP ON BASELINES

ON 4 APRIL LARGER WORKING GROUP ON BASELINES MET TO CONSIDER CONSOLIDATED TEXT (PROVISIONS 4 THRU 20 OF MAIN TRENDS PAPER) ON BASELINES. CHAIRMAN GALINDO-POHL INTRODUCED CONSOLIDATED TEXT WITH DETAILED EXPLANATION OF RATIONALE FOR 18 PROVISIONS INCLUDED. TEXT WAS ENDORSED ALMOST IN ITS ENTIRETY BY MARITIME STATUS (UK, FRANCE, USSR, JAPAN) AS WELL AS BY CANADA AND SPAIN. ARGENTINA RAISED QUESTION WITH RESPECT TO HISTORIC BAYS AND WATERS. CHAIRMAN EXPLAINED THAT

THIS ISSUE WOULD BE DEALT WITH UNDER PROVISIONS 2 AND 3 OF MAIN TRENDS PAPER. CHILE AND ARGENTINA CHALLENGED INTERPRETATION OF PHRASE "GENERAL INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION," WHICH WAS INTENDED TO SOLVE NORWAY'S PROBLEM WITH THE USE OF LOW-TIDE ELEVATIONS FOR STRAIGHT BASELINES

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SANCTIONED BY ANGLO/NORWEGIAN FISHERIES CASE. AFTER

DETAILED EXPLANATION BY NORWAY, CONCERNS OF ARGENTINE AND CHILE WERE APPARENTLY SATISFIED. BANGLADESH MADE STRONG PITCH FOR OPTION B OF PROVISION 5, WHICH WOULD AUTHORIZE USE OF "COASTAL WATERS" FOR STRAIGHT BASELINE POINTS IN UNSTABLE DELTA AREAS. CHAIRMAN, WITH APPARENT SUPPORT OF ALL OTHER (ABOUT 30) DELEGATIONS PRESENT, REJECTED BANGLADESH OPTION IN FAVOR OF OPTION A, WHICH CONTEMPLATES USE OF "FURTHEST SEAWARD EXTENT OF LOW WATER LINE." US INTERVENTION SUGGESTED SEVERAL WAYS WHEREBY TECHNICAL REVISIONS, REFLECTED IN COMMENTS BY GROUP, MIGHT BE INCORPORATED TO PRODUCE SINGLE TEXT. CHAIRMAN THEN ANNOUNCED THAT SINGLE CONSOLIDATED TEXT WOULD BE PREPARED BY HIM AND REVISED ONLY ONCE. THUS, HE CLOSED MEETING WITH MANDATE TO PRESENT FIRST SINGLE TEXTS TO EMERGE FROM A COMMITTEE II WORKING GROUP. ABRAABRAMS UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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